

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A cabinet for a home appliance, the cabinet comprising:
an outer panel ~~having~~ including at least one reinforcement rib ~~[[,]]~~ integrally formed on an inner surface of ~~said the~~ outer panel, ~~to protrude and extending from the inner surface of the~~ outer panel to a predetermined ~~height~~ length; and
an inner panel ~~having~~ including at least one boss, ~~formed~~ provided on an inner surface of ~~said the~~ inner panel in ~~opposition~~ a position corresponding to the at least one reinforcement rib, ~~for joining said wherein the at least one boss is configured to engage the at least one~~ reinforcement rib so as to couple the inner and outer panels together,
wherein the at least one boss has a ~~flat~~ substantially planar surface ~~for establishing a~~ positioned at a substantially right angle with respect to the at least one reinforcement rib.
2. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~said the inner~~ and outer panels are configured to be joined by a welding process.

3. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one reinforcement rib is configured to be welded to the at least one boss.

4. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one reinforcement rib has a ~~flat~~ substantially planar distal end surface which is substantially parallel to the ~~flat~~ substantially planar surface of the at least one boss.

5. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one boss has at least one coupling groove formed in the ~~flat~~ substantially planar surface in ~~correspondence~~ a position which corresponds to the at least one reinforcement rib.

6. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 5, wherein the at least one coupling groove is configured to receive the at least one reinforcement rib ~~is inserted into the at least one coupling groove therein.~~

7. (Currently Amended) A cabinet for a home appliance, the cabinet comprising:
an outer panel ~~having~~ including a plurality of reinforcement ribs~~[[,]]~~ integrally formed on an inner surface of ~~said the~~ outer panel, ~~to protrude~~ and extending from the inner surface of the outer panel to a predetermined ~~height~~ length; and

an inner panel ~~having including~~ at least one boss, ~~formed provided~~ on an inner surface of ~~said inner panel in opposition~~ a position corresponding to the plurality of reinforcement ribs, ~~for joining said wherein the at least one boss is configured to engage the plurality of reinforcement ribs so as to couple the inner and outer panels together,~~ wherein the at least one boss has a ~~flat substantially planar surface for establishing a~~ positioned at a substantially right angle with respect to the plurality of reinforcement ribs.

8. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 7, wherein each of ~~said the~~ plurality of reinforcement ribs has a ~~flat~~ substantially planar distal end.

9. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 8, wherein the ~~flat~~ substantially planar distal ends of ~~said the~~ plurality of reinforcement ribs lie in one plane.

10. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 7, wherein the at least one boss has a plurality of coupling grooves formed in the ~~flat~~ substantially planar surface ~~in correspondence which correspond~~ to the plurality of reinforcement ribs.

11. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 10, wherein the plurality of coupling grooves are configured to respectively receive the plurality of reinforcement ribs ~~are respectively inserted into the coupling grooves therein.~~

12. (Currently Amended) A cabinet ~~of~~ for a home appliance having a sectioned lid ~~comprised of~~ comprising a first section and a second section having ~~one~~ a first end thereof hinge-coupled to the first section, the cabinet comprising:

an outer panel having at least one reinforcement rib ~~[[,]]~~ integrally formed on an inner surface of ~~said the~~ outer panel, ~~to protrude and extending~~ from the inner surface of the outer panel to a predetermined ~~height~~ length; and

an inner panel having at least one boss, ~~formed~~ provided on an inner surface of ~~said the~~ inner panel in ~~opposition~~ a position corresponding to the at least one reinforcement rib, ~~for joining said panels together~~ wherein the at least one boss is configured to engage the at least one reinforcement rib so as to couple the inner and outer panels, wherein the at least one boss has a ~~flat substantially planar surface for establishing a~~ positioned at a substantially right angle with respect to the at least one reinforcement rib.

13. (Currently Amended) The cabinet as claimed in claim 12, wherein ~~the other a~~ second end of the second section opposite the first end is hinge-coupled to the home appliance.

14. (Original) The cabinet as claimed in claim 12, wherein the first section comprises a grip for manually operating the sectioned lid.

15. (New) The cabinet as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner and outer panels form a rear section of a sectioned lid of the cabinet when the inner and outer panels are coupled by the engagement of the boss and the at least one reinforcement rib.

16. (New) The cabinet as claimed in claim 15, wherein a first side of the rear section is hinge-coupled to the cabinet, and a second side of the rear section opposite the first side is hinge-coupled to a front section of the sectioned lid.

17. (New) The cabinet as claimed in claim 7, wherein the inner and outer panels form a rear section of a sectioned lid of the cabinet when the inner and outer panels are coupled by the engagement of the boss and the at least one reinforcement rib.

18. (New) The cabinet as claimed in claim 17, wherein a first side of the rear section is hinge-coupled to the cabinet, and a second side of the rear section opposite the first side is hinge-coupled to a front section of the sectioned lid.

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19. (New) The cabinet as claimed in claim 12, wherein the at least one reinforcement rib comprises a plurality of reinforcement ribs configured to engage with a corresponding plurality of grooves formed in the at least one boss so as to couple the inner and outer panels to form the second section of the sectioned lid.

20. (New) The cabinet as claimed in claim 19, wherein each of the plurality of reinforcement ribs has a substantially planar distal end surface which is substantially parallel to the substantially planar surface of the at least one boss, and wherein the substantially planar distal ends of the plurality of reinforcement ribs lie in one plane.